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World War II marked the beginning of the greatest use of Civil Affairs (CA) functions in the United States history. CA personnel utilized civil sector expertise to help rebuilt governments in both the European and Pacific theaters. Since its establishment as a United States Army Reserve branch in 1955, CA/Military Government has traditionally been conducted by Army Reservists who employ their civilian acquired skills to provide expertise in civil sector systems and functions such as public administration, economics and commerce, public health, public safety, food and agriculture, and public works and utilities. CA has been touted as a key capability since the Department of Defense elevated the importance of stability operations to be on par with major combat operations. In the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the demand for CA units has far outpaced supply. To this end, Army Civil Affairs forces will have more than doubled between 2001 and 2014. At the same time; however, the U.S. Army has reduced the emphasis on Civil Affairs civil-sector functional expertise resulting in a serious capability gap. This paper explores the reasons for the capability gap and provides recommendations for a way ahead.

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The United States' post conflict efforts in Afghanistan and Iraq have generated new initiatives to prepare the United States Government (USG) and the military, particularly the Army, for stability operations. The effort to create USG capabilities to conduct stability operations in a more unified and coherent fashion rests on the central idea that, as part of the United States strategy to deal with transnational terrorist groups, the U.S. must have the capabilities to assist governments or regions under serious stress. Weak or failed states and ungoverned territories can create a threat to U.S. national security or interests as we have seen with the terrorist attacks of September 11th and piracy off the coast of Somalia. During stability operations, the primary focus of U.S. policy carried out by U.S. military forces, civilian government agencies, and multinational partners, will be on helping a severely stressed government avoid failure or recover from a devastating natural disaster, or on assisting an emerging host nation government in building new security, economic and political institutions and processes.

Department of Defense (DOD) policy establishes stability operations as a core military mission and assigns it the same priority as combat operations to be integrated across all DOD activities including doctrine, organizations, training, education, exercises, material, leadership, personnel, facilities, and planning.² A key policy point is that U.S. military forces shall be prepared to perform all tasks necessary to establish or maintain order when civilians cannot do so. The DOD will have the capability to ensure that when directed, it can establish civil security, civil control, restore or provide essential services, repair critical infrastructure, and provide humanitarian assistance.³

To this end, the Army initiated a major shift in Army doctrine by establishing full spectrum operations as the central tenet of how it applies its capabilities. Stability and civil support operations are no longer something that the Army conducts "other than war." Army forces must address the civil situation directly and continuously by specialized activities and civil-military operations that are of equal importance to offense and defense operations. Stability operations are military missions, tasks, and activities conducted outside the United States to maintain or reestablish a safe and secure environment and to provide essential governmental services, emergency infrastructure reconstruction, and humanitarian relief. Additionally, the Army must plan for and be prepared to govern on an interim basis when conditions are not favorable for the introduction of civilian instruments of national power. U.S. interagency partners do not have the expeditionary capability to operate alongside military personnel in hostile environments and there is no plan to build this capacity.

The Army capability that plays the most crucial role in stability operations is Civil Affairs (CA).⁷ Years ago the primary role of CA was reducing foreign civilian interference with U.S. military operations. Now Civil Affairs accelerate stability by helping to restore and maintain public order; safeguarding, mobilizing and using local resources; facilitating the equitable distribution of humanitarian supplies and services, and other critical functions involving essential services and governance.⁸ If the Army and DOD want to increase their capability to perform stability operations, then Civil Affairs is clearly a capability to focus on. When examining how well DOD and the Army have institutionalized the military capabilities to support stability operations, an increase in the number of Civil Affairs forces has been touted as one of the organizational efforts

dedicated to the development of stability operations capabilities.⁹ A significant investment has been made in CA force structure for this low density, high demand capability. Since September 11, 2001, the force will have more than doubled from an authorized strength of approximately 5631 to 11718.¹⁰

Unfortunately, the growth in Civil Affairs force structure has not been accompanied by a corresponding effort to increase the quality of the force. Civil Affairs gaps in capability and capacity are evident by difficulty filling requirements in multiple theaters, use of "in lieu of" fills from other services for current operations, the stand-up of ad hoc CA-like capabilities, and the unavailability of Civil Affairs functional experts. This paper will address the challenges associated with fielding fully trained Army Reserve CA functional specialists. The Army CA force lacks the functional specialist capacity and capability required to support stability operations activities of the Joint Force Commander as well as broader USG programs aimed at building the capacity of a partner nation's government in the areas of rule of law, economic development, governance, public health and welfare, infrastructure, and public education and information.

Overview of Functional Specialties

Approximately 94% of the U.S. Department of Defense's Civil Affairs capability resides in the Army due to the fact that interaction with the civilian sector is primarily associated with land warfare. The majority of these forces, approximately 90%, are currently in the U.S. Army Reserve. There are no CA units in the Army National Guard. Programmed growth in the Active Component (AC) to rebalance the CA force will change the ratio to 72% Reserve Component (RC) and 28% AC by 2014. Traditionally, the majority of CA units have been in the Army Reserve to capitalize on the unique

capabilities of citizen soldiers who can offer high levels of civilian expertise in functions such as agriculture, public administration, and economics as well as the military education appropriate to their grade.¹³ The significant difference between Army AC and United States Army Reserve (USAR) CA organizational structure is the CA functional specialty capabilities residing in USAR CA units.

The CA branch competencies consist of generalists and functional specialists. Generalists are well versed in common CA skill sets CA such as preventing civilian interference with military operations, providing CA staff augmentation, analyzing the civil component of the area of operations, and planning and managing small scale quick impact projects and programs. Most active duty CA staff personnel and personnel assigned to tactical units in the USAR are CA generalists. When employed, CA generalists support the commander's immediate needs by preventing civilian interference with military operations, mobilizing civilian resources to support military operations, and conducting humanitarian operations. CA functional specialists provide additional areas of expertise, normally acquired through civilian education, training, and experience. Functional specialists leverage their civilian skills and expertise to assist USG efforts in rebuilding systems, infrastructure, and ministries or support requirements for civil-military teaming. 14 CA core tasks involve the application of CA functional specialty skills in areas normally the responsibility of civil government to enhance the conduct of Civil Military Operations. 15 By their very nature, these tasks require skills that must come from the reserve component because they cannot be cost effectively maintained in the active component.

Current CA doctrine lists 14 functional specialties organized into six functional specialty areas. The functional specialists are organized into teams that plan and enable host nation government operations across the following six areas: rule of law, economic stability, infrastructure, governance, public health and welfare, and public education and information as defined in table 1.

| Rule of Law | Economic Stability | Infrastructure |
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| Rule of law pertains to the fair, competent, and efficient application and fair and effective enforcement of the civil and criminal laws of a society through impartial legal institutions and competent police and corrections systems. This functional area includes judge advocates trained in international and comparative law as well as CA specialists in related subjects. | Economic stability pertains to the efficient management (for example, production, distribution, trade, and consumption) of resources, goods, and services to ensure the viability of a society's economic system. This discipline includes CA specialists in economic development, civilian supply, and food and agriculture. | Infrastructure pertains to designing, building, and maintaining the organizations, systems, and architecture required to support transportation, water, communications, and power. This discipline includes CA specialists in public transportation, public works and utilities, and public communication |
| Governance | Public Health and Welfare | Public Education and Information |
| Governance pertains to creating, resourcing, managing, and sustaining the institutions and processes through which a society is governed, is protected, and prospers. This discipline includes CA specialists in public administration, environmental management, and public safety areas. | Public health and welfare pertains to the systems, institutions, programs, and practices that promote the physical, mental, and social well-being of a society. This discipline includes CA specialists in public health and cultural relations | Public education and information pertains to designing, resourcing, and implementing public education and public information programs and systems through media and formal education institutions. This discipline includes CA specialists in public education and civil information |

Table 1. Army Civil Affairs Functional Specialty Areas.

The Army designates skill identifiers (SI) for 11 of the functional specialties some of which are no longer in CA doctrine: Civil Defense Officer (5Y), Economist (6C), Public Education Officer (6D), Civilian Supply Officer (6E), Public Transportation Officer (6F), Public Facilities Officer (6G), Public Safety Officer (6H), Public Communication Officer (6R), Agricultural Officer (6U), Cultural Affairs Officer (6V), and Archivist (6W). The skill identifiers were intended to establish standards and qualifications for the specialties and allow identification and tracking of officers with specialties in the CA force. The standards for awarding of a skill identifier are generally based on some combination of education and/or experience broadly related to the specialty. For example, the

qualifications for a public safety officer are "bachelor degree in criminology, fire science, police science, corrections management, or public administration and/or 3 years practical experience in a supervisory or management position in a government related public safety field or equivalent private industry position." Only 309 or 40% of the 780 positions designated as functional specialties within the reserve force structure have skill identifiers associated with them. Army Medical and Judge Advocate General Branches fill 294 or 31% of the specialty positions. Twelve percent of the positions are filled by CA plans or operations NCOs for which there are no functional specialty skill identifiers. The remaining 11% of the positions are filled by CA officer generalists for which there are no skill identifiers associated.

| USAR CA Command (CACOM) Functional Specialties Cell, 31 personnel per cell, 3 cells per CACOM | | | | | |
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| O6 38A, Team Chief/Plans Officer E9 38B 2S, Operations NCO | | | | | |
| Rule of Law Section -05 38A 6H, Public Safety Officer -05 27A, International Law Officer -05 38A 6E, Property Resource Control Officer -E7 38B402S, CA Plans NCO | Economic Stability Section -05 38A 6U, Agriculture Officer -05 38A 6C, Commerce Officer -05 38A 6C, Economic Functions Officer -05 38A 6C, Price Control/Rations Officer -E7 38B402S, CA Plans NCO | Infrastructure Section -05 38A 6G, Public Works Officer (Utilities) -05 38A 6G, Public Works Officer (Facilities) -05 38A 6R, Public Communications Officer -05 38A 6F, Public Transportation Officer -E7 38B402S, CA Plans NCO | Governance Section -O5 38A , Public Administration Officer -O5 38A 6E, Civil Supply Officer -O5 27A, International Law Officer -O5 38A 6V, Cultural Affairs Officer -E8 38B502S, CA Plans NCO | Public Health Section -O5 60C, Public Health Officer -O5 64B, Vet Preventative Medicine -O5 70H, Medical Plans & Operations -O5 70K, Health Facilities Planner -O5 72D, Environmental Sciences -O5 66B, Community Health Nurse -E8 38B50W42S, Public Health NCO | Public Education and Information Section -O5 38A 6D, Public Education Officer -O5 38A, Civil Information Officer -E7 38B402S, Plans NCO |
| | USAR CA Brig | gade Functional Specialties Cell, 1 | | brigade | |
| | | O6 38A, Team Chief/F E8 38B2S, Operati | | | |
| Rule of Law Section -05 38A 6H, Public Safety Officer -04 27A, International Law Officer -04 38A 6E, Property Resource Control Officer | | Infrastructure Section -O5 38A 6G, Public Works Officer (Utilities) -O4 38A 6G, Public Works Officer (Facilities) -O5 38A 6R, Public Communications Officer | Governance Section -O5 38A 6E, Civil Supply Officer -O4 38A, Public Administration Officer -E7 38B2S, Plans NCO | Public Health Section -05 60C, Public Health Officer -05 64B, Vet Preventative Medicine -05 70H, Medical Plans & Operations -04 72D, Environmental Sciences -E8 68W, Public Health NCO | |
| USAR CA Battalion Functional Specialties Cell, 8 personnel per cell, 1 cell per battalion O4 38A, Civil Affairs (Generalist) | | | | | |
| -O4 27A3N, International Law Officer -O4 38A 6H, Public Safety Officer | | -O4 38A 6G, Public Works Officer (Utilities) | -O4 38A 6E, Civil Supply Officer | -O4 60C, Public Health Officer -O4 64B, Vet Preventative Medicine -E8 68W2S, Public Health NCO | |

Table 2. Army Civil Affairs Functional Specialty Cells

The functional specialties are organized into functional specialty cells as shown in table 2. A Civil Affairs Command (CACOM), which serves as the theater level CA asset for the Geographic Combatant Command (GCC), provides three, 33 personnel functional specialty cells with all six of the functional specialty areas represented with the purpose of planning, coordinating, assessing or managing Civil Affairs Operations (CAO) depending on the mission. There are four CACOMs in the USAR inventory that are regionally aligned with the GCCs. One CACOM covers both the U.S. European Command (USEUCOM) and U.S. Africa Command (USAFRICOM) areas of operations. Two major functions of the CACOM are to provide a CA/Civil Military Operations planning and coordination capability to the GCC and the ability to form the core of a Joint Civil Military Operations Task Force (JCMOTF). The functional specialty cells are designed to be modular for general support of interagency operations or direct support of military operations. A deliberate decision was made to concentrate the functional specialist capability at the strategic level to provide the CA Commander the flexibility to support Joint Commanders in full-spectrum operations. 17 The USAR CA brigade and battalion organizations have one functional specialty cell with limited capabilities in four of the six functional areas. Economic stability and public education and information are not represented at the brigade and battalion levels in CA units.

To understand why the Civil Affairs functional specialty capability gap exists, we must review some of the history of how we got here. There are four main issues that have contributed to the CA functional specialty capability gap: high operational demand, changes in force structure and doctrine, proponent challenges, and restrictive personnel practices.

Operational Demand

Civil Affairs personnel and units have been in high demand for over two decades. In the 1990s, CA soldiers deployed to Kuwait, Haiti, Bosnia, and Kosovo. By the end of 2003, nearly half of the Army CA force strength (96% of which was in the Army Reserve at the time) was deployed in support of USCENTCOM missions. By the beginning of 2004, it was evident that operations in Iraq and Afghanistan would last longer and require more reconstruction and stabilization efforts than originally envisioned. The demand for CA Soldiers in support of OIF and OEF plateaued at over 1100 personnel per rotation (every nine to ten months) or approximately 20% of its assigned strength. This was a compromise that reduced the support for OEF and OIF by more than 50% of what was desired by conventional force commanders and required for support to Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRTs), ad hoc organizations for civ-mil integration at the tactical level. Consequently, CA support was focused on tactical level support to maneuver commanders.

While it was unknown how long OEF and OIF would last, it was clear that the projected demand for Civil Affairs would continue to outpace supply. To meet the demand, internal cross leveling, the use of in lieu of individual augmentees from the Navy and Air Force, and rapidly retrained personnel from the Army Reserve to include the individual ready reserve were used heavily from 2005 to 2010. In 2007, the Secretary of Defense established planning objectives for utilization of the total force in order to provide predictability to service members, families, and for the RC, employers. The goal for the AC was established at one year deployed to two years at home (1:2) and involuntary mobilization for the RC at one year mobilized to every five years demobilized (1:5). As of 2008, the dwell ratios for Army Civil Affairs were active

component at 1:08 and reserve component at 1:2.²² It is important to note that the dwell ratio above can be misleading because it is for units not individuals. The spin rate for some individuals is likely higher. RC CA forces have not been fully manned and have used extensive cross leveling to fill battle rosters of unit flags that meet dwell requirements.

While growth has increased the number of units, particularly at the tactical level, there has not been an equivalent increase in the number of personnel at the mid-grade ranks. The potential negative impact of the sustained use of CA assets on recruiting and retention were identified as early as 2004.²³ The high operational demand caused many USAR Civil Affairs officers to leave the force in favor of focusing on their civilian professional careers and family.²⁴ Likewise, the high operational tempo was undoubtedly a barrier to recruiting the mid-grade civilian professionals needed to fill the functional specialty positions. As of September 2010, USAR Civil Affairs majors/captains were at 54% and 24% strength respectively. 25 Civil Affairs officer shortages mirror the officer shortage in the USAR writ large that has reached a critical level and threatens the long term health of the organization.²⁶ Because CA units cannot procure personnel directly from commissioning sources or civilian life, the pool of talented management level officers shrinks.²⁷ Officers in the reserves are increasingly likely to come from a narrow band of civilian backgrounds.²⁸ The experienced civil sector experts that are needed to fill functional specialist positions are in the category of persons that have the most conflict with the increased demands for reserve service.²⁹ Civilian skills that have traditionally been found in the RC vice the AC because of the

availability of professional civilian acquired skills that can't be maintained in the AC may not exist in an operationally demanding RC force.

Force Structure and Doctrine

At the same time that CA was struggling to meet sourcing requirements for contingency operations, a force design update was approved that further deemphasized the functional specialties. The CA force converted from the "A-Series" to "G-Series" unit structure which "modularized" CA formations to better support the brigade combat team. Army transformation from a division centric force to a brigade centric force had wide ranging implications for the enabling forces. The conversion to a modular force pushed CA force structure to the tactical level by expanding the number of CA Companies while reducing the overall number of functional specialty positions.

The force structure change was accompanied by a corresponding change in doctrine that allocated each Brigade Combat Team (BCT), Theater Sustainment Brigade, and Maneuver Enhancement Brigade a Civil Affairs Company as a direct support unit when deployed. The CA force structure change was necessary in light of broader Army transformation and to better posture the force to meet high operational demand on a rotational basis. However, there were consequences for the CA functional specialist capability. In 1992, the functional specialties were approximately half of the CA force structure. In 2001, the functional specialties were 36% of the total CA force structure. By 2015, when planned growth has been completed, the specialties will be 9% of the total CA force structure. The net loss of functional specialties positions as a result of the force design update and most recent growth is 998 positions or 18% of the 2001 authorized strength. The force design update deliberately concentrated functional specialists at the CA Brigade and CACOM levels to provide the CA Commander the

flexibility to support Joint Commanders in full-spectrum operations.³¹ Doctrinally, this construct provides an eight person team at the division level and no specialties at the BCT or provincial level where civilian support has increased to fill the gap.³² Even if the functional specialists from a CA Battalion were pushed down to the BCT headquarters, this would only provide an eight person cell representing four of the six specialty areas.

For the 1st Calvary Division in Iraq, winning the peace involved "local infrastructure improvement, training security forces, understanding and educating the fundamentals of democracy, and creating long lasting jobs that would carry beyond short term infrastructure improvement."³³ In the absence of CA functional expertise, the division dedicated the engineer corps, enhanced by a robust pre-deployment training program with the Texas cities of Austin and Killeen, to deal with the complex tasks of maintaining a functioning city system as well as promotion of both the legitimacy and capacity of the Iraqi Government. Establishing basic local services and providing employment reduced the insurgent base of support and decreased attacks on U.S. Soldiers.

An analysis of the evolution of CA doctrine from the original manual, FM 27-5

Basic Field Manual of Military Government, published in July 1940 to present reveals major changes.³⁴ The 1940 manual deals primarily with the policy of military government and how military forces were to administer occupied territories. Subsequent CA manuals contained less content for how the military is to exercise its responsibilities to reestablish a viable government in accordance with international law. Post-Vietnam, Army doctrine returned to its preferred role of conventional warfare. The Army focused on the singular possibility of conventional combat in Germany against the Warsaw Pact

forces. The civil military relationship was treated as a problem at the margins. Civil military operations concentrated primarily on population and resource control and support to host nation authorities. CA doctrine was focused on minimizing civilian interference with military operations. Most of the Civil Affairs units were configured to meet these requirements. CA doctrine still included aspects of low intensity conflict and civil administration; however, as priorities changed doctrine for full assumption of civil functions in enemy and friendly territory withered away.³⁵ Cold war thinking in the nuclear era suggested that there would be fewer total victories that would result in occupations.³⁶ As detailed doctrine on military governance disappeared so too did specific doctrine on the functional specialties. More recently, CA doctrine has not kept pace with current national security requirements for a strong CA functional specialty capability and capacity for stability and reconstruction.

Proponent Challenges

The Civil Affairs proponent has not been an adequate champion for updated doctrine, training and education, and personnel policies for the functional specialties. The current proponent for CA is the US Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School (USAJFKSWCS).³⁷ The Commandant, USAJFKSWCS has proponent responsibilities for Special Forces and Military Information Support Operations (formerly Psychological Operations) in addition to CA. The proponent leaders assigned to execute the proponent functions are principally responsible for the Special Forces community who are naturally focused on their core special operations missions and execution of their congressionally directed activities. Consequently, the proponent's primary interest has been in Special Forces with low priority placed on force modernization considerations, vision, or advocacy for CA support to the general

purpose force (GPF) or interagency support.³⁸ In the proponent's defense, CA representation at USAJFKSWCS has been woefully understaffed and without personnel with the requisite qualifications related to the functional specialties.³⁹ To make matters worse, CA proponent responsibilities have been distributed among various directorates of three different organizations: United States Special Operations Command (USASOC), United States Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command (USACAPOC), and USAJFKSWCS. USAJFKSWCS, until recently, was organized along functional lines rather than by branches further diluting CA branch advocacy within the larger proponent organization.

A proponent should develop doctrine that becomes a change agent, driving similar changes in organization, training, leader development, and the equipment and the type of forces built. Current CA manuals contain only a few paragraphs on support to civil administration in friendly and occupied territories and a few pages devoted to explaining the functional specialty areas but no doctrine on how to perform the functions. CA special texts that provided detailed guidance for the execution of each of the functional specialties in separate manuals were last published in the 1980s. In 1991, the Commandant, USAJFKSWCS reported that FM 41-11, a how to manual on the CA functions was in progress.⁴⁰ The manual, developed primarily by reserve personnel, was to have a chapter on each specialty area as well as separate annexes for recommended standards for qualifications and sustainment training.⁴¹ For unknown reasons, this manual was never published.⁴²

Current issues concerning CA functional specialists are not new. Concerns were raised by the Commandant, USAJFKSWCS as early as 1992. He asked questions that are still valid to this day, and have not been answered, some 20 years later.

"Are the current 20 functional specialties what CA and the military require for the future?

Do we have identifiable standards/qualifications for each of the functional specialties?

Are we able to track and identify what we have in the force?

How do we sustain these skills?

Do we have the capability that we say we have?"43

USACAPOC, the CA force provider, convened a working group to address these issues and made recommendations on the functional specialties, doctrine tasks, skill identifiers and standards, sustainment training, and force structure. As discussed previously, the doctrine was never published so sustainment training standards were not published or implemented. The only lasting legacy from the functional specialty review is the revision or development of skill identifiers for some of the functional specialty positions.⁴⁴ An issue that remains today is how best to define the standards for awarding the SIs to capture the skills required at each level (local, provincial, national) and how best to track the functional specialist skills resident in the force.⁴⁵ For example, a bank teller who may qualify for awarding of skill identifier 6C Economist by virtue of meeting the minimum experience requirement of five years in banking is probably not qualified to advise on how to set up a banking system at the national level.⁴⁶

The functional specialty review working group felt that the skill identifiers were the best method for identifying and tracking the skills in the force. In order to be able to accurately track the skills, officers that meet the standards and qualification must submit for award of the appropriate SI. As of February 2010, there were only 38 officers assigned to Army Reserve CA units that had been awarded SIs for one of the 11 SIs that are currently in use on the USAR CA modified table of organization and equipment (MTOE).⁴⁷ Without polling the force, it is impossible to determine if all officers who meet the qualifications for one of the SIs have applied for and been awarded one. To fill the authorized CA functional specialty positions to 100% with true experts according to the current standards, the Army would need to recruit 271 officers covering all the specialty areas.

Personnel Policy

In 2005, the Defense Science Board, recognizing that DOD was "not sufficiently tapping into the capabilities and patriotism of our mid-career professional population", called for a change to the Army Reserve Civil Affairs recruitment process that would target more experienced professionals (35-45 years old) with the right skills needed for stability operations. 48 Current personnel policies and career management practices of the Army CA branch severely restrict the reserve force's ability to recruit and retain true experienced civil sector experts. As CA/MG gained recognition and development following WWII and Korea, the CA/MG USAR branch was established on August 17, 1955. 49 In 2006, the CA branch became an Army branch, recognizing the key role that both AC and RC CA officers play in not only fighting the war but winning the peace. 50 The new Army branch was heralded as a positive development to give active army officers greater career potential, more rewarding assignments, and greater recognition

for their unique expertise at a time when the active component force was growing to meet demand. The branch concept was designed to create interchangeability between AC and RC officers so that the origin of one was indistinguishable from another. This is consistent with other Army branches and the total force concept. However, the application of a "one size fits all" approach to the accession and management of CA generalist and specialists negated the unique aspects of the former Army Reserve CA branch, namely, the incorporation of specialized civilian skills. The RC CA generalists should be indistinguishable from their AC counterparts; however, there is no equivalent specialist capability in the AC CA force. Within all of the military services, force structure devoted to maintaining a ready pool of civil-sector functional expertise is a characteristic that is unique to Army Reserve Civil Affairs. Army Reserve Civil Affairs' true value should be in its ability to access the necessary civilian acquired skills for stability operations, put those Soldiers in uniform and deploy them to do specific technical missions.

The responsibility to recruit qualified individuals with civilian specialties currently falls on the USAR CA unit commander. Too often unit commanders are "happy just to have bodies with the correct rank to fill slots, regardless of the civilian skills brought to the table. The key to any human capital recruiting effort, civilian or military, is the application of appropriate resources to the effort proportional the results desired. The U.S. Army Recruiting Command recognized this when they stood up the Special Operations Recruiting Battalion (SORB) in 2005 to actively recruit candidates for service in Special Forces. In FY 2007, the mission was expanded to include active duty CA officers and enlisted. Unfortunately, since the USAR CA force had been realigned from

USASOC to the United States Army Reserve Command (USAR) in 2006, the SORB did not recruit for the RC CA force.

A consequence of the lack of true CA functional experts has forced the Civil Affairs community to substitute generalists or less than qualified individuals. The CA community recognizes that it has oversold its capability to deliver the required civilian skills; most CA soldiers are actually generalists.⁵⁷ The CA community should ask whether it is satisfied with CA operators who are primarily generalists and may have a minimal amount of basic knowledge and experience in the functional specialties of yesterday or does the 21st century operating environment required true civil sector experts to conduct stability operations across the full spectrum of conflict? The choice is clear. Stability operations are not a game for amateurs.⁵⁸ There is no substitute for skilled, experienced, and trained civil sector experts. The Army must address shortfalls in the CA forces' ability to catalyze a comprehensive approach to stability operations especially at the operational and strategic levels.

Way Ahead

There is no doubt that we must update doctrine, relook force structure, and develop training programs in order to address current functional specialist shortfalls. More important, though, is the effort to procure and develop human capital. The CA force must be able to obtain and develop highly qualified personnel to rebuild the functional specialty capability for the future.

A potential solution, therefore, as it relates to personnel policy warrants the creation of a distinct system for accessing and managing RC specialists. The creation of a separate branch or branches based on the Army Medical Department (AMEDD) model may best way to manage CA functional specialists. The RC CA specialists like

AMEDD officers require the development of single highly specialized skills rather than multiple skills identified in the dual track concepts of the Officer Personnel Management System (OPMS).⁵⁹ It may be difficult to create an effective career management model with appropriate development and promotion opportunities given the small number of specialists currently in the CA force structure. However, if implemented holistically, this recommendation could also address the issues identified with certifying, stratifying, and tracking the various specialty skills. It would also establish a framework against which the Army could apply recruiting resources to include incentives. The Army's current approach toward CA functional specialists is based on the flawed assumption that that Army Reserve CA units will be able to acquire enough highly qualified civil sector experts with the skills and experience required for one of the specialties in the absence of a systematic recruiting effort.

The CA proponent should first examine the position descriptions that the State Department's Civilian Response Corps (CRC) developed for its Active Response Corps in order to determine the specialty skills that are required. Once those specialty skills have been determined, the proponent should ascertain the functional specialties required, determine from where to draw the civilian acquired skills, and develop qualification standards for the individual specialties. One excellent aid in this process could be data from a Rand Study which developed a methodology to identify the civilian skill sets required for stability tasks across each of the stability sectors, and then determined the occupations that possess the desired skill sets.

The CRC has transformed to better integrate with the military in terms of sustainment, operations and planning, and force protection. Army CA should transform

its functional specialist capability to better align with the existing civilian framework towards a whole of government staffing approach to planning and executing stability operations. A common civilian-military pool of civilian experts would increase interoperability for civ-mil teaming, allow for a common set of training standards, common techniques and procedures, and allow the USG to direct scarce civilian expertise to where it is needed most. ⁶² This approach would enable greater CA cooperation with the agencies it's most likely to work with in future operations.

As the Army shifted from an AirLand Battle doctrine focused on resisting the numerically superior Warsaw Pact armies to a post-cold war doctrine that treated combat and other operations separately to full spectrum operations doctrine that stresses the essentiality of integrating security, stability, and reconstruction with combat actions, Civil Affairs doctrine has not kept pace. Consideration should be given to better aligning the functional specialties and specialty areas with the five stability sectors and five essential stability tasks and articulating the role that functional specialists play in successful accomplishment in each of the five tasks across the full range of military operations as opposed to the traditional civil administration mission for which the specialties were originally conceived.

Civil Affairs functional specialty requirements should address the capability to advise, train, and assist at the local, provincial, and ministerial levels across the five stability sectors during phase 0 security cooperation missions. This is a scenario in which the functional specialists and CA in general have been underutilized primarily due to contingency operations demand and the GCC's inability to access the RC for more than a few training days at a time. As the Army implements the RC as an operational

force concept and draws down from large scale stability operations, building partner capacity is a mission for which the functional specialties are particularly well suited. However, to be most effective, the CA force and specialties may need to be adapted to the primary military role in this area. Doctrine analysts should examine the question of whether Civil Affairs functional specialties should have greater capability to support stability tasks in the security sector. The CA force could provide specialists (advisors, trainers, mentors, and liaison staff) in border control, law enforcement, legal and governance related to the ministries of defense, justice, and interior to help reform the HN security sector and build partner capacity to make it an enabler for long-term security.

A 2008 HQDA DAMO-SSO internal study questioned if CA had "the capability and capacity to support the Army through all phases of Full Spectrum Operations in a Joint, Interagency and Multinational (JIM) environment." The internal review recommended force structure changes to transform Army CA to support stability operations at the strategic and operational level. The concept called for transforming the existing functional specialty cells to create a CA Ministry Assistance Command (MAC) with regionally focused civ-mil teams designed to train, assist, and advise host nation ministries across the stability sectors. It is not clear where the civilians would come from for these teams. Nonetheless, the concept has merit. CA reservists with high level professional skills and advanced degrees formed ad hoc CA ministerial advisory teams to help restore or establish legitimate governments in Grenada, Panama, Kuwait, Haiti, Bosnia, Afghanistan, and Iraq. 65 At the strategic level, the MAT is a tool of the

commander or ambassador to maintain stability, to assist in accomplishing foreign policy objectives, and to fulfill the commander's legal responsibilities.⁶⁶

Conclusion

The Civil Affairs functional specialist capability is an endangered species. The Army can continue to go down the current path toward a generalized CA force or it can decide to protect and preserve the specialized and uniquely valuable skills that citizen soldiers can bring to the fight for stability. In an era of persistent conflict with a constrained resource environment, the CA functional specialists in conjunction with the CA force at large are the preferred means to implement an "innovative, low cost, small foot print" approach that relies "on exercises, rotational presence, and advisory capabilities" to meet our national security objectives. ⁶⁷

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